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PART I-A

CENTRAL SECTION

Orders and Notifications (Other than those published in Part IV-B) under the Gujarat Local Boards, Village Panchayats, Municipal Boroughs, District Municipal, Primary Education and Local Fund Audit Acts.

URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND URBAN HOUSING DEPARTMENT NOTIFICATION

Sachivalaya, Gandhinagar, 15th February, 2025

GUJARAT PROVINCIAL MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS ACT, 1949.

No. KV- 80 of 2025 - UDUHD/AWO/e-file/18/2024/3653/P Section:- WHEREAS, certain draft rules were published as required by sub-section (2) of section 456 of the Gujarat Provincial Municipal Corporations Act, 1949 (Bom. LIX of 1949) (hereinafter referred to as 'the said Act'), at pages 198-1 to 198-3 in the Gujarat Government Gazette, Extraordinary, Part I-A dated the 06th November, 2024, under the Government Notification, Urban Development and Urban Housing Department No. KV-392 of 2024/UDUHD/AWO/e-file/18/2024/3653/P Section (hereinafter referred to as 'the said Notification'), inviting objections and suggestions from all persons likely to be affected thereby within a period of thirty days from the date of publication of the said Notification in the *Official Gazette*.

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AND WHEREAS, no objections or suggestions have been received by the Government with respect to the said Notification;

AND WHEREAS, sub-section (1) of section 19 of the said Act suggests that the Mayors of the Municipal Corporations are to be elected by the elected Councillors of the Municipal Corporations in the first meeting of the concerned body;

AND WHEREAS, sub-section (1A) of section 19 of the said Act mandates the State Government to prescribe the manner in which the office of the Mayor in every Corporation is to be reserved for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, Backward Classes and women in the same proportion as provided in their favour under section 5 of the said Act;

AND WHEREAS, the State Government has in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 456 read with sub-section (1A) of section 19 of the said Act, framed the Bombay Provincial Municipal Corporations (Reservation in the office of the Mayor) Rules, 1995;

AND WHEREAS, the number of seats to be reserved for Backward Classes has been altered by amendment to sub-section (6) of section 5 of the said Act vide the Gujarat Local Authorities Laws (Amendment) Act, 2023 (Guj. 17 of 2023);

NOW, THEREFORE, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 456 read with sub-section (1A) of section 19 of the said Act, the Government of Gujarat hereby makes the following rules further to amend the Bombay Provincial Municipal Corporations (Reservation in the office of the Mayor) Rules, 1995, namely: -

- 1. These rules may be called the Gujarat Provincial Municipal Corporations (Reservation in the office of the Mayor) (Amendment) Rules, 2025.
- 2. In the Bombay Provincial Municipal Corporations (Reservation in the office of the Mayor) Rules, 1995 (hereinafter referred to as "the said rules"), in rule 2, for the words and letters 'Schedule, Schedule I and Schedule II', the word 'Schedule' shall be substituted.
- 3. In the said rules, for rule 5, the following rule shall be substituted, namely: -
 - "5. DURATION OF ROSTER The reservation as per the roster, as provided in the Schedule appended to these rules, shall continue to be effective for respective Municipal Corporation for a period of five years from the date on which the first Mayor enters upon his office after general election of the respective Municipal Corporation either due to expiration of the term of the previous Corporation or on account of its dissolution before the expiry of its term."
- 4. In the said rules, rule 5A, shall be deleted.
- 5. In the said rules, for the existing Schedules, the following Schedule shall be substituted, namely:-

"Schedule

(See rule 2)

Sr. No.	Name of the Municipal Corporation	Duration of the Terms	
		First two and a half years	Second two and a half years
1	Ahmedabad	ВС	W
2	Surat	W	G
3	Vadodara	SC	W(BC)
4	Rajkot	G	W(SC)
5	Bhavnagar	W	G
6	Jamnagar	W	G
7	Junagadh	G	W(BC)
8	Gandhinagar	ВС	W

Where,

G-means General

BC-means Backward Classes

SC-means Scheduled Castes

ST-means Scheduled Tribes

W-means Women .".

Provided that the person elected as an existing Mayor for the respective Corporations on the commencement of these rules, shall continue to hold that office for their respective two-and-a-half-year term unless the Corporation dissolves prematurely.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Gujarat,

KOMAL BHATT,

Joint Secretary to Government.

